

Case CM2203M

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Matter of:

U.S. National Phase Entry  
Under 35 USC § 371 from  
the International Application of :  
**CORRAND, DIDIER, MARCEL, et al.** :  
Int'l Appln No. PCT/US00/27340 :  
Int'l Filing Date of 04 October 2000 :  
Entitled: FOAMS AND  
COMPOSITIONS  
CONTAINING THESE  
FOAMS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.112

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Dear Sir:

Prior to Examination and computation of the fees for entering the captioned International Application into the U.S. National Phase, please preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following Remarks.

AMENDMENTSIN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-22 and insert therefor new Claims 23 to 45 as follows.

23. A foam component comprising a mixture of a polymeric material and an active ingredient, said foam component adapted for stability upon contact with air and instability upon contact with water.

24. The foam component according to claim 23, wherein at least part of said active ingredient is released upon contact with water.